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SIDERING QUESTION OF ITS OWN RELATIONS WITH EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WOULD CONTINUE TO KEEP PROMINENTLY IN MIND THE LIKELY EFFECT OF THIS DECISION ON ITS SMALLER ARABIAN PENINSULA NEIGHBORS. ROBINSON

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